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G.1	Manufacturer's Information on Waste Containers and Containment Units
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## LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS/ACRONYMS

20.4.1 NMAC	New Mexico Administrative Code, Title 20, Chapter 4, Part 1
CSU	container storage unit(s)
DOT	U.S. Department of Transportation
ft	feet/foot
gal	gallon
in.	inches
LANL	Los Alamos National Laboratory
m <sup>3</sup>	cubic meters
ppmw	parts per million by weight
SWB	standard waste box
TA	technical area

## **ATTACHMENT G CONTAINER STORAGE**

The information provided in this section is submitted to address the applicable container storage requirements of the New Mexico Administrative Code, Title 20, Chapter 4, Part 1 (20.4.1 NMAC) §270.15 and 20.4.1 NMAC, Subpart V, Part 264, Subpart I, revised June 14, 2000 [6-14-00]. This section provides detailed descriptions of the seven container storage units (CSU) located at Technical Area (TA) 55. Detailed engineering drawings are provided as Figures G-1 through G-3 and are provided for informational purposes only. Table G-1 summarizes applicable regulatory references for container storage and the corresponding location where the requirement is addressed in this document.

### **G.1 CONTAINER STORAGE AT TA-55**

TA-55 is located in the north central portion of Los Alamos National Laboratory on a mesa between a branch of Mortandad Canyon on the north and Two Mile Canyon on the south. TA-55 is a plutonium processing facility, which began operating in 1978. Hazardous and mixed waste container storage at TA-55 is conducted at seven CSUs. These CSUs are identified as B40, B05, K13, B45, the Vault, the Container Storage Pad, and TA-55-185. The following sections provide general dimensions, containment features, and materials of construction for each CSU to satisfy the requirements of 20.4.1 NMAC §270.15(a)(1) and (2) [6-14-00].

#### **G.1.1 B40**

The B40 CSU is used to store containers of hazardous and mixed waste that may contain liquids. (B40 was described as Area 1 in previous permitting applications.) B40 is located in the southwest section of the TA-55-4 basement, as shown on Figure G-1. The CSU is L-shaped and has long dimensions of 61.5 by 55 feet (ft). The maximum storage capacity of this unit is 21,500 gallons (gal), the equivalent of 391 55-gal drums. The types of waste containers holding hazardous or mixed waste that are stored in B40 include 5-, 10-, 12-, 15-, 30-, 55-, and 85-gal drums; large waste boxes; special order waste boxes; and standard waste boxes (SWB).

#### **G.1.2 B05**

The B05 CSU is used to store containers of hazardous and mixed waste that do not contain liquids. (B05 was described as Area 3 in previous permitting applications.) B05 is located in the southwest section of the TA-55-4 basement, as shown in Figure G-1. The CSU is rectangular shaped and is 26 ft long by 10 ft wide. The maximum storage capacity of this unit is 3,600 gal, the equivalent of 66

55-gal drums. The types of waste containers holding hazardous or mixed waste that will be stored in B05 include 30-, 55-, and 85-gal drums, large waste boxes; and SWBs.

#### G.1.3 K13

The K13 CSU is used to store containers of hazardous and mixed waste that may contain liquids. (K13 was described as Area 4 in previous permitting applications.) K13 is located in the northwest section of the TA-55-4 basement, as shown on Figure G-1. The CSU is rectangular shaped and is 16 ft long by 13 ft wide. The maximum storage capacity of this unit is 2,500 gal, the equivalent of 46 55-gal drums. The types of waste containers holding hazardous or mixed waste that will be stored in K13 include 0.25-, 0.5-, 0.75-, 1-, 2-, 4-, and 6-liter/quart containers; 5-, 10-, 12-, and 15-gal containers; 30-, 55-, and 85-gal drums; and large waste boxes.

#### G.1.4 B45

The B45 CSU is used to store containers of hazardous and mixed waste that do not contain liquids. (B45 was described as Area 5 in previous permitting applications.) B45 is located in the northeast section of the TA-55-4 basement, as shown on Figure G-1. The CSU is rectangular shaped and is 45 ft long by 17.5 ft wide. The maximum storage capacity of this unit is 11,000 gal, the equivalent of 200 55-gal drums. The types of waste containers holding hazardous or mixed waste that will be stored in B45 include 5-, 10-, 12-, and 15-gal containers; 55- and 85-gal drums; large waste boxes; and SWBs.

#### G.1.5 Vault

The Vault CSU is used to store containers of mixed waste that may contain liquids. (The Vault was described as Area 6 in previous permitting applications.) The Vault is located along the eastern wall of the basement at TA-55-4, as shown on Figure G-1, and is approximately 79.5 ft long by 50.5 ft wide. The maximum storage capacity of this unit is 4,000 gal, the equivalent of approximately 73 55-gal drums. The types of waste containers holding mixed waste that will be stored in the Vault include 0.25-, 0.5-, 0.75-, 1-, 2-, 4-, and 6-liter/quart containers; and 5-, 10-, 12-, 15-, 30- and 55-gal drums.

#### G.1.6 Container Storage Pad

The Container Storage Pad is used to store containers of hazardous and mixed waste that may contain liquids. The pad is located outside and northwest of TA-55-4, as shown on Figure G-2. It was installed in the mid-1980s and is constructed of asphaltic-concrete with a variable thickness of 4 to 6 inches (in.). The Container Storage Pad CSU is shaped like a trapezoid and measures 102 ft, 86 ft,



156 ft, and 105 ft. It also includes a rectangular strip measuring 70 ft by 10 ft on the southeast side. The pad is sloped, is elevated 2 to 4 in. above ground level, and has a culvert beneath the pad running from the northwest side to the southeast corner to minimize run-on of precipitation. The storage capacity of this area is 135,000 gal, the equivalent of approximately 2,455 55-gal drums. The types of waste containers holding hazardous or mixed waste that will be stored on the container storage pad include 0.25-, 0.5-, 0.75-, 1-, 2-, 4-, and 6-liter/quart containers; 30-, 55-, and 85-gal drums; SWBs; large waste boxes; and 5-, 10-, 12-, and 15-gal containers.

#### G.1.7 TA-55-185

TA-55-185 will be used to store containers of hazardous and mixed waste that do not contain liquids. TA-55-185 is located west of TA-55-4, as shown on Figure G-3. The building was constructed in 1991 and consists of a steel frame with fiberglass insulation, metal walls, and a concrete floor. The TA-55-185 CSU will be approximately 60 ft long by 40 ft wide, and will have a maximum storage capacity of 30,000 gal, the equivalent of 546 55-gal drums. The types of waste containers holding hazardous or mixed waste that will be stored at TA-55-185 include 30-, 55-, and 85-gal drums; large waste boxes; and SWBs.

#### G.2 CONTAINMENT SYSTEMS [20.4.1 NMAC §§270.15(a)(1-5) and 270.15(b)(1-2)]

The B40, K13, Vault, and Container Storage Pad CSUs will be used to store liquid and/or potentially liquid-bearing wastes; therefore, the requirements of 20.4.1 NMAC §264.175(b) [6-14-00] are applicable for these CSUs. Table G-2 provides the secondary capacity associated with each of these CSUs.

Secondary containment at B40, K13, and the Vault CSUs is primarily provided by self-containment pallets, covered self-containment pallet, single-drum pallets, or storage cabinets. Secondary containment at the Container Storage Pad CSU is provided by covered self-containment pallets. Each containment system is described below.

- Self-Containment Pallet: Molded high-density polyethylene base with a fiberglass grating that elevates the containers over a reservoir that is capable of containing leaks and spills from the containers.
- Covered Self-Containment Pallet: Molded, chemical-resistant, high density polyethylene with a removable polyethylene grating and a hinged two-part cover, which is impervious to precipitation. Supplement G-1 provides detailed information on the covered self-containment pallets.

- Single-Drum Containment Pallet: An 85-gal container made of heavy-duty polyethylene designed to hold one 55-gal drum.
- Cabinet: An epoxy-enamel-coated steel frame with a base that has a raised, leakproof sill. Each shelf is lined with a high-density polyethylene tray that is capable of containing leaks and spills from containers.

The B40, K13, and Vault CSUs are located in the basement of TA-55-4. This basement has a recessed floor that provides another level of containment for the liquid wastes stored there. The floor consists of a 10-in.-thick reinforced concrete slab that is free of cracks and gaps, is compatible with the wastes stored in the area, will effectively prevent the migration of waste to the environment, and is capable of collecting releases and accumulated liquids until the material is removed. Each of these containment systems will hold, at a minimum, 10 percent of the volume of the potential liquid-bearing containers or the volume of the largest potential liquid-bearing container stored, whichever is greater, pursuant to the requirements of 20.4.1 NMAC §264.175(b)(3) [6-14-00]. Containers holding hazardous or mixed waste in each CSU will be protected from potential contact with accumulated liquids by either being elevated or stored in an area that is designed and operated to remove accumulated liquids.

The B05, B45, and TA-55-185 CSUs will be used to store containers with only non-liquid bearing waste (i.e., solid form). These CSUs all reside in a building; therefore, run-on and run-off from storm events are not applicable. In the event of a water leak from facility systems, the TA-55-4 basement has sumps to contain the liquid. Drummed waste containers are placed on pallets or stored in self-containment structures. SWBs will be placed on pallets. Large waste boxes are elevated by design. All waste items in TA-55-185 will either be placed on pallets or are elevated by design.

G.3 SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS FOR IGNITIBLE, REACTIVE, AND INCOMPATIBLE WASTES [20.4.1 NMAC §270.14(b)(9), §270.15(c) and (d) and 20.4.1 NMAC §§264.17, 264.176, and 264.177]

Ignitable or reactive waste is stored at the K13 and B40 CSUs and on the Container Storage Pad. Pursuant to 20.4.1 NMAC §264.17 [6-14-00], LANL will follow specific waste management procedures for ignitable and reactive waste as discussed in Section 2.1.9 of this permit application.

Ignitable, reactive, and incompatible wastes will not be stored at B05, B45, and the Vault or at TA-55-185; therefore, the requirements of 20.4.1 NMAC §264.17, and 20.4.1 NMAC §270.15(c) and (d) [6-14-00] do not apply at these CSUs.

#### G.4 AIR EMISSION STANDARDS FOR CONTAINERS

This section addresses potential applicability of 20.4.1 NMAC, Subpart V, Part 264, Subpart CC [6-14-00], "Air Emission Standards for Tanks, Surface Impoundments, and Containers" to containers at TA-55, based on applicability criteria specified in 20.4.1 NMAC §264.1080 [6-14-00]. Subpart CC standards for containers require that containers of hazardous waste be covered or controlled so that there are no detectable emissions. These standards are not applicable to containers of radioactive mixed waste. The standards are also not applicable to containers of hazardous waste with less than 500 parts per million by weight (ppmw) volatile organics, containers that have received waste prior to the effective date of regulation (December 6, 1996), or containers of less than 0.1 cubic meters (m<sup>3</sup>) (approximately 26 gal) capacity. LANL requires that Subpart CC requirements be met by the generator as part of the waste characterization process. The generator determines the concentration of volatile organics in a waste stream at the point of generation. The generator documents this determination for that waste stream, as described in Appendix B of the most recent version of the "Los Alamos National Laboratory General Part B Permit Application."

Containers of less than 0.46 m<sup>3</sup> (approximately 119 gal) capacity and that meet U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) specifications under the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 49, Part 178, will be kept closed during storage pursuant to 20.4.1 NMAC §264.1086(b)(1)(ii) [6-14-00]. Containers undergoing waste characterization activities may be open for access for the purposes described in 20.4.1 NMAC §264.1086(c) [6-14-00]. Containers of greater than 0.46 m<sup>3</sup> capacity that contain waste with greater than 500 ppmw volatile organics or those that are greater than 0.1 m<sup>3</sup> capacity, do not meet DOT specifications, and contain wastes of greater than 500 ppmw volatile organics will be subject to a visual inspection and monitoring program as required by 20.4.1 NMAC §264.1088(b) [6-14-00].

**Table G-1**  
**Use and Management of Containers**  
**Regulatory References and Corresponding Permit Application Location**

Regulatory Citation(s)	Description of Requirement	Location in this Permit Application
§270.15	Specific information requirements for containers:	G.0
§270.15(a)	A description of the containment system to demonstrate compliance with §264.175 including at a minimum:	G.2
§270.15(a)(1)	Basic design parameters, dimensions, and materials of construction	G.1
§270.15(a)(2)	How the design promotes drainage or how containers are kept from contact with standing liquids in the containment system	G.2
§270.15(a)(3)	Capacity of the containment system relative to the number and volume of containers to be stored	G.2
§270.15(a)(4)	Provisions for preventing or managing run-on	G.2
§270.15(a)(5)	How accumulated liquids can be analyzed and removed to prevent overflow	G.2
§270.15(b)	For storage areas that store containers holding wastes that do not contain free liquids, a demonstration of compliance with §264.175(c) including:	G.2
§270.15(b)(1)	Test procedures and results or other documentation or information to show that the wastes do not contain free liquids	G.2
§270.15(b)(2)	A description of how the storage area is designed or operated to drain and remove liquids or how containers are kept from contact with standing liquids	G.2
§270.15(c)	Sketches, drawings, or data demonstrating compliance with §264.176 (location of buffer zone and containers holding ignitable or reactive wastes) and §264.177(c) (location of incompatible wastes), where applicable	G.3
§270.15(d)	Where incompatible wastes are stored or otherwise managed in containers, a description of the procedures used to ensure compliance with §264.177(a) and (b) and §264.17(b) and (c)	G.3
§270.15(e)	Information on air emission control equipment as required in §270.27	G.4
§270.27(a)	Specific information requirements for air emission controls	G.4
§270.27(a)(2)	Identification of each container area subject to the requirements of §264, Subpart CC and certification by the owner or operator that the requirements are met	G.4
§270.27(a)(3)	Documentation that each enclosure used to control air emissions from containers are in accordance with the requirements of §264.1086(b)(2)(i) includes information prepared by the owner or operator or manufacturer or vendor describing the enclosure design and certification that the enclosure meets the specifications listed in §265.1087(b)(2)(ii)	NA <sup>a</sup>
§270.27(a)(5)	Documentation for each closed-vent system and control device installed in accordance with the requirements of §264.1087 that includes design and performance information as specified in §270.24 (c) and (d)	NA
§270.27(a)(6)	An emission monitoring plan for both Method 21 and control device monitoring methods. The plan must include:	NA
§270.27(a)(7)	Implementation schedule	NA

a NA = not applicable

**Table G-2**  
**Container Storage Unit Maximum Storage and Containment Capacities**

Container Storage Unit	Maximum Capacity (gallons)	Containment Systems	Containment Capacity (gallons)
B40	21,500	Self-Containment Pallets	112 <sup>a</sup>
		Single-drum Containment Pallets	55
		TA-55-4, Basement	46,258
		Covered Self-Containment Pallets	112 <sup>a</sup>
K13	3,400	Self-Containment Pallets	112 <sup>a</sup>
		Single-drum Containment Pallets	55
		TA-55-4, Basement	46,258
		Cabinets	20
		Covered Self-Containment Pallets	112 <sup>a</sup>
Vault	4,000	Self-Containment Pallets	112 <sup>a</sup>
		TA-55-4, Basement	46,258
B05	3,600	NA	NA
B45	11,000	NA	NA
TA-55-185	30,000	NA	NA
Container Storage Pad	135,000	Covered Self-Containment Pallets	112 <sup>a</sup>

<sup>a</sup> No more than 110 gallons (i.e., two 55-gallon drums) of free liquid will be stored on an individual containment pallet.

NA = Not Applicable because this CSU is used to store solid waste only.

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**Table G-3**  
**Capacity Calculations for Containment Systems**

Containment System	Length (feet)	Width (feet)	Depth (inches)	Capacity (cubic feet)	Capacity (gallons)
Self-Containment Pallet and Covered Self-Containment Pallet	4.3	2.1	20	15	112 <sup>a</sup>
TA-55-4, Basement	280	265	1	6,183	46,258
Cabinet	1.5	3.6	6	2.7	20

<sup>a</sup> No more than 110 gallons (i.e., two 55-gallon drums) of free liquid will be stored on an individual containment pallet.